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Dear Brigadier General Carl A. Strock:

This country faces an historic opportunity to protect the Columbia and Snake River Salmon. The only answer that makes sense for people and salmon is to breach the four lower Snake River dams.

These four dams just do not make sense. They do not make sense for our economy - they cost more than they are worth. They do not make sense for salmon - the science points to breaching these dams as the best way to protect these fish. The dams do not make sense for water quality - they violate water quality standards. And they do not make sense for people - these four dams have destroyed our heritage and are depriving future generations of a national treasure.

We need salmon and those dams do not make sense!

I urge you to accept an alternative that provides for breaching these four dams and protects Snake River salmon for future generations. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Army Corps Draft EIS and the NMFS "All-H" Paper.

Sincerely,

Tom Merker